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Summarizing budgetary issues in legislation  
scheduled for the House floor

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## SUSPENSION CALENDAR

### 1) **Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2001** (H.R. 169).

This bill attempts to reduce incidents of discrimination and retaliation in the Government through employee training and awareness. It could result in a decrease in direct spending of less than \$500,000 a year.

### 2) **Memorializing fallen firefighters by lowering the American flag to half-staff in honor of the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service in Emmitsburg, Maryland** (H.J. Res. 42).

This resolution has no budgetary implications.

### 3) **National Small Business Regulatory Assistance Act of 2001** (H.R. 203).

This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

### 4) **Vocational and Technical Entrepreneurship Development Act of 2001** (H.R. 2666).

This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

### 5) **Congratulating Cal Ripken.**

This resolution has no budgetary implications.

### 6) **Congratulating Tony Gwynn** (H. Res. 198).

This resolution has no budgetary implications.

### 7) **Virgin River Dinosaur Footprint Preserve Act** (H.R. 2385).

This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

### 8) **A bill to authorize the American Friends of the Czech Republic to establish a memorial to honor Tomas G. Masaryk in the District of Columbia** (H.R. 1161).

This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

### 9) **Booker T. Washington National Monument Boundary Adjustment Act of 2001** (H.R. 1456).

This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

### 10) **Navajo Long Walk National Historic Trail Act** (H.R. 1384).

This bill will not increase direct spending or decrease revenue.

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**PLEASE NOTE:** This document addresses budgetary issues only. It should not be taken to express support or opposition on any other grounds. A green flag indicates no serious budgetary or budget compliance concerns. A yellow flag indicates moderate or potential problems. A red flag indicates serious problems.

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## LEGISLATION CONSIDERED UNDER A RULE

<b>Bill:</b>	<b><i>Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002</i></b> (H.R. 2883).	
<b>Committee:</b>	Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence	
<b>Summary:</b>	H.R. 2883 would authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for intelligence activities of the U. S. Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. The bill would authorize appropriations of \$153 million for the Intelligence Community Management Account, which funds the coordination of programs, budget oversight, and management of the intelligence agencies. The bill also would establish the Commission on Preparedness and Performance of the Federal Government for the September 11 Acts of Terrorism, which the Congressional Budget Office estimates would require discretionary appropriations of about \$3 million in fiscal year 2002. The classified Annex to H.R. 2883 would authorize further appropriations for intelligence activities in fiscal year 2002.	
<b>Budget Act:</b>	The bill would extend the authority of the Central Intelligence Agency to offer incentive payments for early retirement. Although the Congressional Budget Office estimates that the direct spending effects of this provision would be insignificant, precise estimates are not available because the necessary data are classified. Nevertheless, the Budget Committee believes the legislation is within the allocation provided to the Intelligence Committee and does not violate any points of order under the Congressional Budget Act.	
<b>Bill:</b>	<b><i>Farm Security Act of 2001</i></b> (H.R. 2646).	
<b>Committee:</b>	Agriculture	
<b>Summary:</b>	H.R. 2646 would amend and extend through 2011 the major farm income support, land conservation, credit assistance, food assistance, trade promotion, marketing assistance, and rural development programs administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It also would authorize discretionary appropriations for existing and new programs for research and education, nutrition, trade promotion, rural development, credit assistance, and forestry initiatives. The rule is expected to make in order a manager's amendment in the nature of a substitute.	
<b>Budget Act:</b>	Both the bill as originally reported and the manager's amendment are fully within the assumed levels of the budget resolution (H.Con.Res. 83). As reported by the Agriculture Committee, the legislation provides additional budget authority [BA] of \$3.28 billion for fiscal year 2002 and \$36.73 billion over 5 years. The manager's amendment would provide BA of \$3.05 billion in fiscal year 2002 and \$35.64 over 5 years. Over 10 years, the manager's amendment provides \$73.46 billion in BA for increased agriculture spending, slightly less than the \$73.5 billion in overall new agriculture spending assumed in the budget resolution. Pursuant to Section 221 of the budget resolution, the bill may not exceed the Agriculture Committee's 302(a) allocation for fiscal year 2002 and the total for fiscal years 2002-2006. After the Budget Committee Chairman makes the adjustment in the Agriculture Committee's 302(a) allocation as authorized under section 213 of the budget resolution, H.R. 2646 will comply with the spending levels assumed for these periods. The legislation still technically violates several timing-related sections of the Budget Act, which will be waived by the rule. For instance, several entitlement provisions are first effective in the current fiscal year (2002), which has now begun. Such programs are subject to section 401 of the Budget Act. If not for these technical violations, there would be no Budget Act problems with the bill.	

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